

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
Before The
POSTAL RATE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20268-0001

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Complaint of John Westfall

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Docket No. C2000-1

OFFICE OF THE CONSUMER ADVOCATE
STATEMENT OF CONCURRENCE WITH WITHDRAWAL OF COMPLAINT
(January 4, 2000)

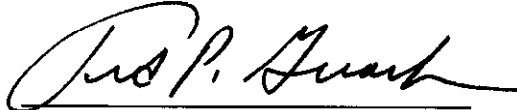
The Office of the Consumer Advocate ("OCA") hereby states its concurrence with the withdrawal of the complaint in this docket and the five statements of understanding which underlie it.

The Commission's notice and order on the complaint appointed the OCA to act as a finder of the facts and the facilitator of a possible negotiated settlement in this matter. In this capacity, the OCA was an active participant in the negotiations which resulted in the withdrawal. The Postal Service, the OCA, and counsel for the complainant have diligently pursued a resolution to the problem. The OCA is satisfied that the understandings underlying the withdrawal

of the complaint provide a fair resolution of the matter for Mr. Westfall and preserve the integrity of Postal Service policy on service to rural customers..

Respectfully submitted,

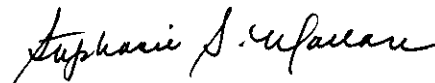
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Ted P. Gerarden
Director

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this date served the foregoing document upon all participants of record in this proceeding in accordance with section 12 of the rules of practice.

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Stephanie S. Wallace

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